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In London and Toronto this month the world's buyers will have a new opportunity to see what Hongkong's industries have to offer as our "shops" at the British Industries Fair and the Canadian International Trade Fair open for business. Our stands at these exhibitions are, of course, not shops in the usual sense of the word but they "sell" commodities which are of vital interest to our welfare and indeed to our survival as a Colony with an independent economy. They offer new business ideas, the goodwill of our manufacturers and our commercial institutions and information on a wide range of goods from textiles to torches and from enamelware to leather and rubber footwear, all well made, all made in Hongkong, and all selling at prices which are competitive with those in practically every other part of the world.

MORE important, our stands at Toronto and London help to establish the good name of the Colony in the minds of the world's merchants and at the same time they give the professional man and the general public some idea of just what is going on here. That is an essential function of the Colony's exhibition. Too many have a completely distorted and ill-informed idea of Hongkong's activities, and the role it is playing both as a member of the British Commonwealth and in the development of the economies of Southeast Asian countries.

The exhibitions have also acquired a new purpose in these times when the integrity of our industries has been questioned in a number of amazing slanders by British trade groups; it is to vindicate the activities of our manufacturers and the honesty and effectiveness of our trade practices and procedures.

As our correspondent has indicated, much of this criticism has receded on the critics. Far from discrediting the Colony, the frequent furores in Lancashire, Manchester and the House of Commons have attracted the interest and attention of a wide circle of buyers. The slurs still require correction nevertheless. And our representatives at the BIF and the CITF can be left to deal with that.

It might even be a good plan if they carried the fight into the strongholds of our detractors. A lecture tour in the industrial north of England, with films or slides and exhibits from the BIF stand, at which Mr. Grimwood, Colony official and Hongkong businessmen could tell the true story of the tremendous development that has taken place here in the postwar years, might do a lot to curb the malicious falsehoods that have taken root abroad.

People in Britain and Europe have always had a fascination for the East—whether it is seen through the eyes of a businessman anxious to expand trade or the curious public whose vision forever probes the distant and alluring horizons of the world. The Hongkong stand, offering as it does a glimpse of the East and a unique display of British and Chinese enterprise there, should therefore attract wide attention.

There are early indications of this already. Hongkong is always on the lookout for new opportunities to expand trade. Each year our participation at these fairs has shown tangible and useful results. And the opening days of the BIF augur well for at least a repetition of the success of past years.

BIG 4 "SUMMIT" MEETING

British Government's Objective WILL SEEK APPROVAL OF FRANCE AND U.S.



EDEN



EISENHOWER



FAURE



BULGANIN

Divorce For Hindus Made Legal

New Delhi, May 4. Divorce among Hindus was made legal for the first time under a clause in the Hindu Marriage Bill passed in the House of the People (Lower House) today.

Congress, Communists and Socialist benches applauded when the clause was passed by 150 votes to 20.

It had been strongly opposed by members of the rightwing Hindu Mahasabha and by some orthodox Hindus in the Government benches.

The Law Minister, Mr. H. V. Patakar, said customary divorce "was already allowed among 80 per cent of the community and the clause would bring in the rest."

The clause allows divorce by either the husband or wife on various grounds, including adultery, desertion, insanity and leprosy of more than five years. —Reuter.

Collins & Vietnam

Saigon, May 4. President Eisenhower's special envoy to Vietnam, General Lawton Collins, announced to a private briefing of American correspondents today that he favoured "constitutional monarchy" for Vietnam, with ex-Emperor Bao Dai as head of State. —Reuter.

Murderer Hanged

Leeds, May 4. Winton Shaw, 39, radio engineer, was hanged at Leeds Prison this morning for murdering his girl friend, Mrs. Meant Tade, 24, whom he struck with an axe and stabbed 20 times with a "sheath knife." —China Mail Special.

London, May 4. Britain has decided to hold out for a conference with Russia "on the summit," authoritative diplomatic informants said today.

Instead of settling for a talk with the Soviets on the Foreign Ministers' level, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Harold Macmillan, will seek American and French approval next week for a meeting at the top level, the sources said.

Britain feels that a conference of President Eisenhower, Sir Anthony Eden, and the French Premier, M. Edgar Faure, with Russia's Premier, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, could offer a better chance for success at present than would a Foreign Ministers' conference.

These top-level leaders could lay down broad principles that their Foreign Ministers might later develop and implement, in the British view.

The American position has been that lower level preparations should come before any top-level talks.

Mr. Macmillan, the US Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Antoine Pinay, are to meet in Paris between May 7 and 11.

May 8 is scheduled as the date for a special meeting of the Big Three Foreign Ministers in which they are to discuss the invitation to Moscow for a four-power conference.

Britain, after considerable consideration of pros and cons, has come to the conclusion that a meeting at the summit preferable to this stage to a meeting of the Foreign Ministers, the sources said.

Sir Anthony Eden, the Prime Minister, thus has come round to the suggestion of Sir Winston Churchill for a top-level meeting, a project which Sir Winston reiterated only a fortnight before his retirement.

Before and since then Sir Anthony has publicly shared the American view that preparation on the Foreign Ministers' level would be an unobjectionable preface to a top-level parley. Today the British view hardened.

EISENHOWER'S ATTITUDE

There were doubts in diplomatic quarters whether President Eisenhower would be ready to agree to such top-level talks in the near future.

The President has intimated that he considers a Foreign Ministers' meeting the preferable course as an opening move for East-West negotiations.

France was believed to be favourable to a top-level conference.

Some decision was expected to be reached in the Paris talks next week.

Britain will not rule out talks on the Foreign Ministers' level if it fails to persuade the United States and France to join her in the top-level idea. But, in an abrupt hardening of policy, Britain has decided to make the top-level idea her objective.

Sir Anthony has said repeatedly in recent days that Britain would welcome talks with the Russians either at the top level or the Foreign Ministers' level. So, today's raising of British sights to the summit amounts to a policy switch.

BRITISH VIEW

The British view is that a meeting of heads of Government could lay down the broad principles of policy, with greater freedom of action than their Foreign Ministers enjoy.

They could then ask their Foreign Ministers to convene at once and to translate their decisions into detailed agreements on outstanding problems provided the top-level meeting proves successful.

Thus the question between the Americans and the British appears to be, which is the car and which is the horse?

The informants said that meeting on the summit would be short, since President Eisenhower could not be expected to stay away from Washington for an indefinite period.

Election Campaign Opens Next Week

Eden & Attlee To Tour Key Constituencies

London, May 4. Sir Anthony Eden, the Prime Minister, opens the Conservatives' parliamentary election campaign next Monday with a one-day tour by road of key marginal constituencies.

Both Conservative and Labour party headquarters have decided to concentrate their "star" speakers during the campaign into the 60 or so districts won at the October 1951 general election by majorities of less than 2,000.

They agree that it is in these areas that the outcome of the May 26 election will be decided.

Mr. Clement Attlee, the Labour chief, also leads his party into battle next week beginning with a country-wide tour by road on May 12.

Sir Anthony Eden, who is seeking to boost his present overall majority of 19 in the House of Commons, will drive through the East Midlands area of England on Monday, stopping to speak in vital areas.

He will wind up his tour with a mass meeting on Monday night in the woollen centre of Leeds, Yorkshire, which elected five Labour and two Conservative Members of Parliament in 1951.

The impression the Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, gave to the House of Commons on Tuesday was that the Government was making a real concession by the removal of the purchase tax on "quality" goods, the Manchester Guardian commented.

"Closer examination shows it to have been nothing of the kind. It is not a substantial concession," the spokesman said.

"We brought our full air-sea rescue team into action."

"Wreckage was located late tonight, but so far no survivors have been picked up."

OVERCAST SKY

The crashed plane, with an engine blazing, was last seen circling down through an overcast sky.

Other planes in the formation radioed emergency messages to Kenavik.

All the planes taking part in the afternoon routine flight were tanker versions of the Boeing Stratocruiser. They were part of the 310 Air Refuelling Squadron which was based originally at Smoky Hill, Kansas. —Reuter.

Miniature Baby Survives

Kuala Lumpur, May 4. A baby girl weighing 1 lb. 12 oz. at birth in March and given one chance in 50 of living is still alive today and out of danger.

"A few, a very few mills may benefit. The vast majority will not."

"It is now for Conservative candidates to explain this away."

"The Prime Minister must be pursued until he tells us in terms of yards and looms just what these mythical 'substantial benefits' are," the Manchester Guardian added. —China Mail Special.

NO RATIONING

London, May 5. Mr. Tom Williams, former Labour Minister of Agriculture said today it was "very likely" cominging that if Labour was returned to power it would re-introduce bulk buying especially from the Commonwealth.

He was replying to questions at a press conference on the Labour Party's agricultural policy issued today for the general election on May 23.

"I think that both New Zealand and Australia welcomed today's long-term contracts and would do so in the future," Mr. Williams said.

The Party's agricultural manifesto entitled "Full Harvest" said the next Labour government would offer a five-year plan for agricultural expansion.

It would reintroduce fixed guaranteed prices and assured markets for major farm products, including meat and cereals.

NO RATIONING

The policy statement repeats the Socialists' declaration that they would not reintroduce food rationing into Britain, a charge made by many Conservative speakers.

The manifesto said a Labour government would also provide special credit facilities for farmers and improve marketing by grading and abolishing fat stock auctions.

It would also establish missions to regulate home and imported supplies of meat and cereals and set up commissions to improve fruit and vegetable distribution.

The statement charged that Labour's policy of expanding agriculture during its six years of office had been abandoned by the Conservative government which came to power in October 1951. —Reuter.

Critical Comment

Manchester, May 5. The Manchester Guardian today criticised the Government's policy towards the Lancashire textile industry.

US Plane Crashes

Air Force Crew of 9
Feared Lost

London, May 4.

A United States Air Force plane, with nine men on board, crashed into the sea about 90 miles southwest of Keflavik, Iceland, today. United States Air Force headquarters here reported tonight.

A B-29 aircraft, carrying a crew, had flown from Prestwick, in Scotland, to join in the search.

Wreckage has been sighted, but so far no reports of survivors having been seen had reached United States Air Force headquarters.

ENGINE ON FIRE

The crashed plane, with an engine blazing, was flying in formation with several others when it fell into the sea.

A United States Air Force spokesman said that the last message from the plane was just after noon today, and reported having developed a severe engine fire.

"There was no message from their radio after that," the spokesman said.

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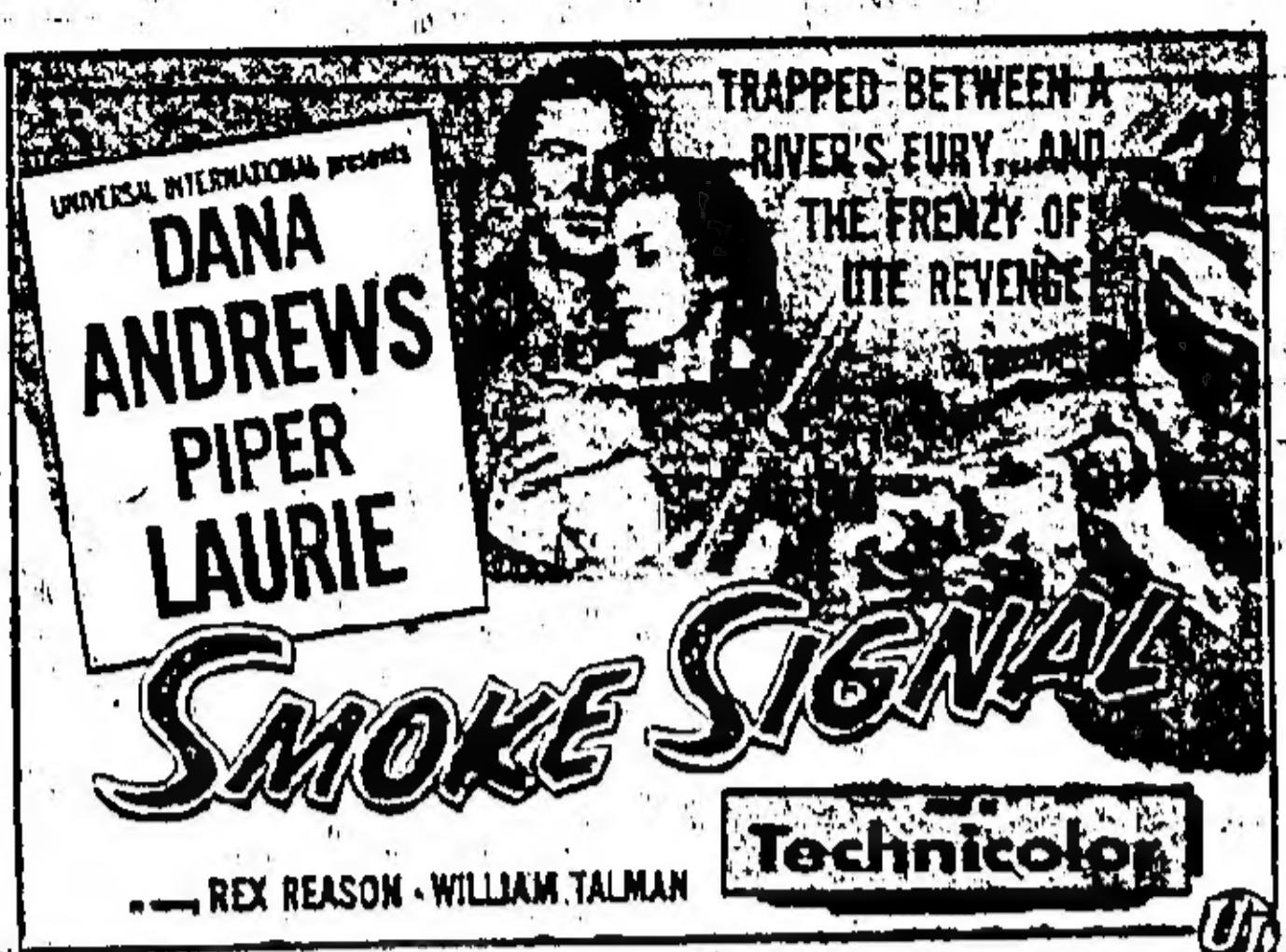
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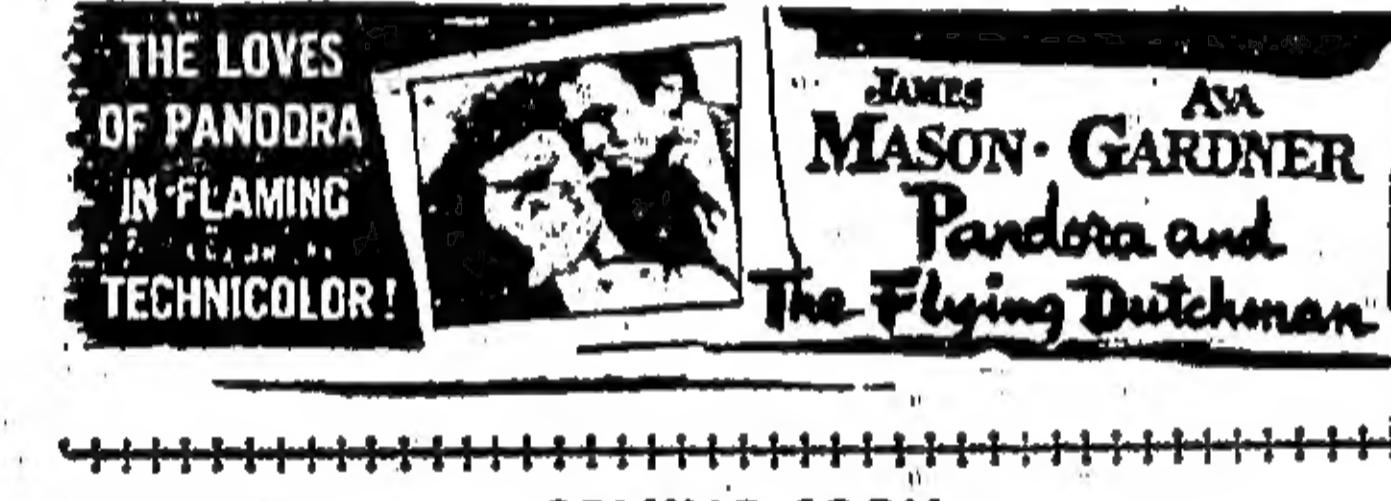
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TO-MORROW: "UNCONQUERED"

Tragic Blunder To Build Up Chiang's Hopes



SENATOR DEMANDS AN ADMISSION

Pittsburgh, May 4. Senator Mike Mansfield today demanded that the Administration admit its "tragic blunder" in "unleashing" Chiang Kai-shek and "building up his expectations that we would return him to the mainland."

Senator Mansfield, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said, "That was a cruel and misleading thing to do and I think we ought to acknowledge the error. I do not think we ought to compound it."

Senator Mansfield told the Pittsburgh Foreign Policy Association:

CONSIDERATION

"The National Government of China deserves every reasonable consideration from this country. First consideration must be given, however, to our national needs and our needs are not served by an embroilment in a war to liberate the Chinese mainland."

He also appealed to Americans to remember that President Eisenhower had responsibility for deciding whether to defend the Nationalist-held islands of Quemoy and the Matsu off the Chinese mainland.

"It seems to me that the best way America can lighten that burden is by refraining at this time from attempts to whittle away at this responsibility," he said.

Senator Mansfield said no one could make a "meaningful prediction" as to whether "the vagueness of our position on the coastal islands will either avert war or plunge us into war." He said there were "growing prospects of peace talks between the United States and the Communists" but such talks should be approached with the greatest caution."

He warned that the Formosa crisis was related to previous crisis in Asia, such as Korea and Indo-China.

"We have exercised in recent years a kind of chain reaction diplomacy, a kind of crisis decision policy," said Senator Mansfield. "From the Korean crisis we pushed too late to Indo-China to quench fire which had spread beyond control. We now have rushed to the fire in Formosa."

NEVER AHEAD

"We may be blinded by the glare in Formosa to the fire which is being kindled in Japan," he warned. "We have, in short, never been ahead of the game."

Senator Mansfield said US policy should take into consideration "Asian attitudes" and their hatred of colonialism. He said: "In the minds of many people throughout Asia our

Monumental Embarrassment

Berlin, May 4. SOVIET troops today refused to demolish a Soviet war memorial in the US sector of Berlin because Western photographers were waiting to snap them.

The monument supported the first Russian tank to enter Berlin in 1945. The tank was removed this morning and handed over to the Soviet authorities under an agreement with the US authorities.

This evening 40 unarmed Soviet soldiers arrived at the monument. They were accompanied by 17 lorries and cranes. Their officers asked that photographers and pressmen should be sent away, although they were

behind a cordon of armed US troops.

More than two hours later the demolitions had still not begun.

Finally, General Dibrova, Soviet Commander in Berlin, arrived on the scene. He asked the American officers to remove the journalists, although they were more than 50 yards away. He also asked that American troops should be unarmed, like the Soviet soldiers.

The American representatives declared that they could not change the arrangements already made, so General Dibrova withdrew, followed by his men, and American soldiers mounted guard over the plinth—France-Presse.

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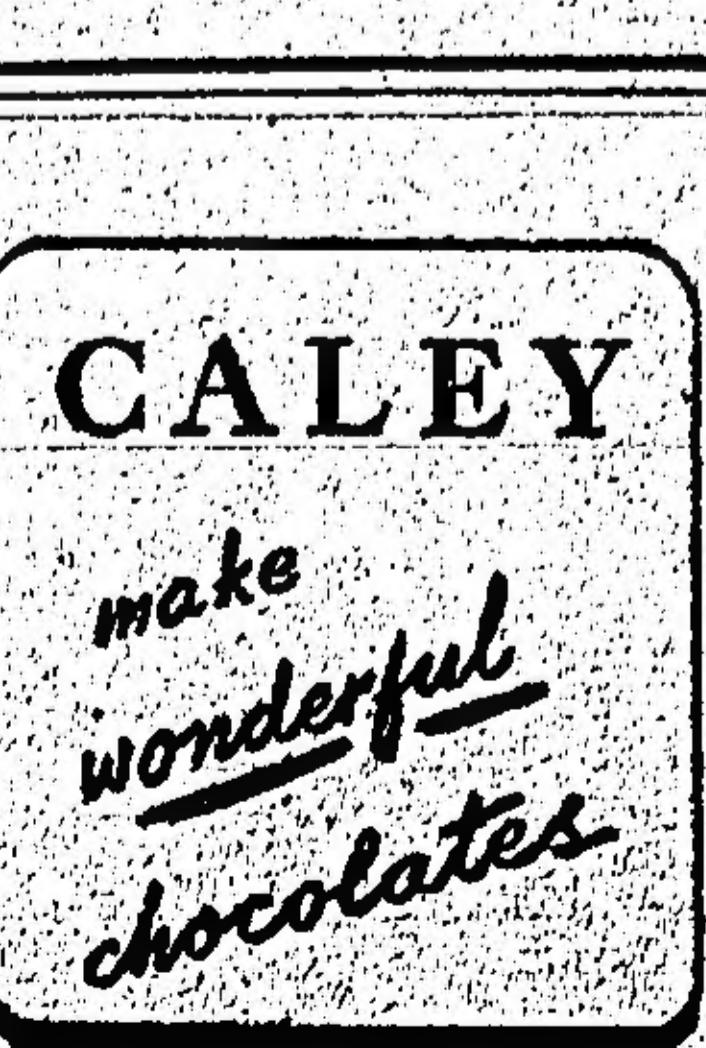
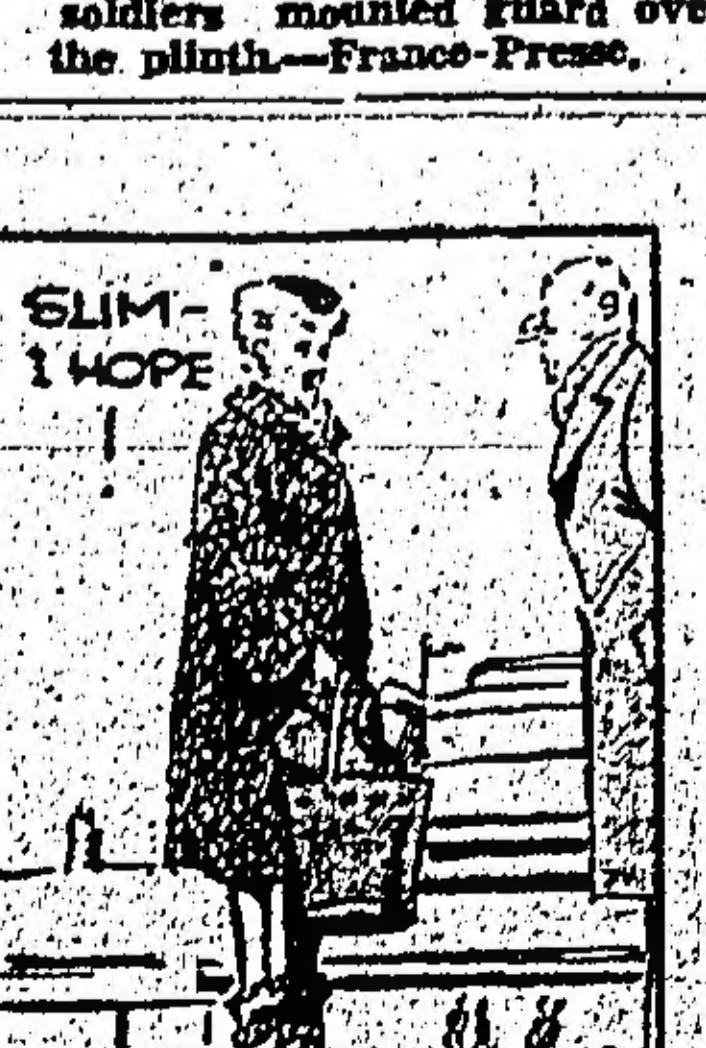
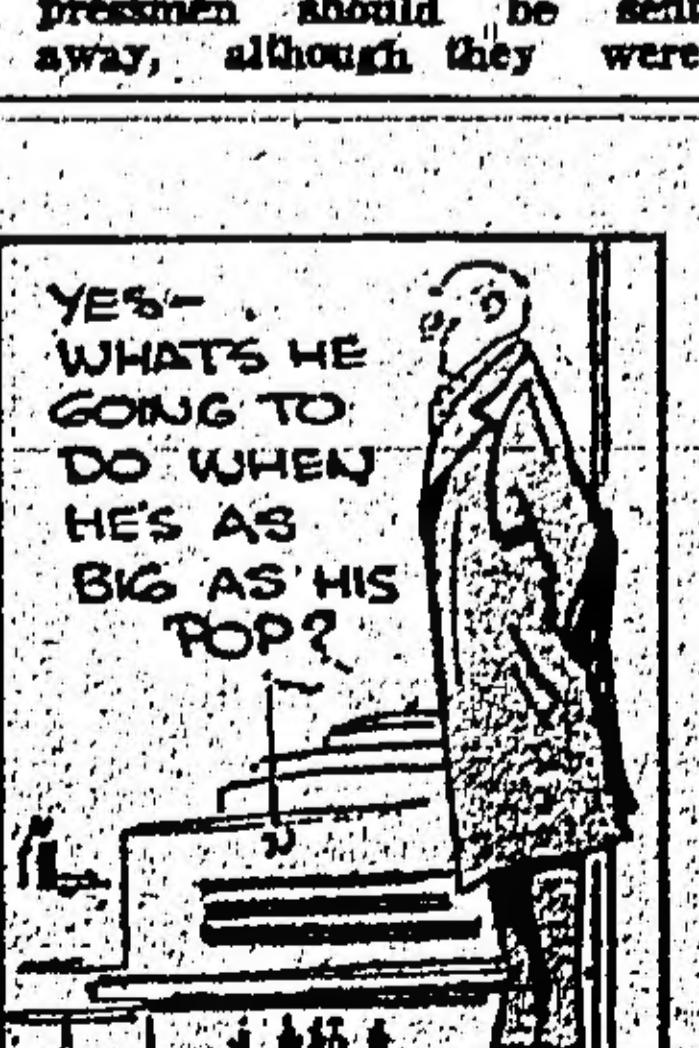
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FOURTH REICH RAISES ITS HEAD

Billy Graham At
Glenelgues

Germany Resumes Her Place Among The Great Powers

By Ian Fraser

Others Profit
From Britain's
Research

London, May 4.
Lord Woolton, Chairman of the Conservative Party, complained here today that while the British did the research "we have let somebody else get the profit."

He admitted American criticisms that Britain concentrated so much on maintaining leadership in pure research that she had not bothered about putting the result into practice.

"That does not involve that we should give up the fundamental research, but that we should spend more energies in seeing that we get the advantage," he told the annual lunch of the British Electrical and Allied Industries Research Association.

"That is what we are about to do. This country has become convinced that we have to develop the technology of applied science."

"Our societies and learned institutions have to direct their attention in both ways so that we carry on with all we have done in fundamental research and at the same time recognise the importance of training the technologists," China Mail Special.

COMMUNIST LEAVES U.S.

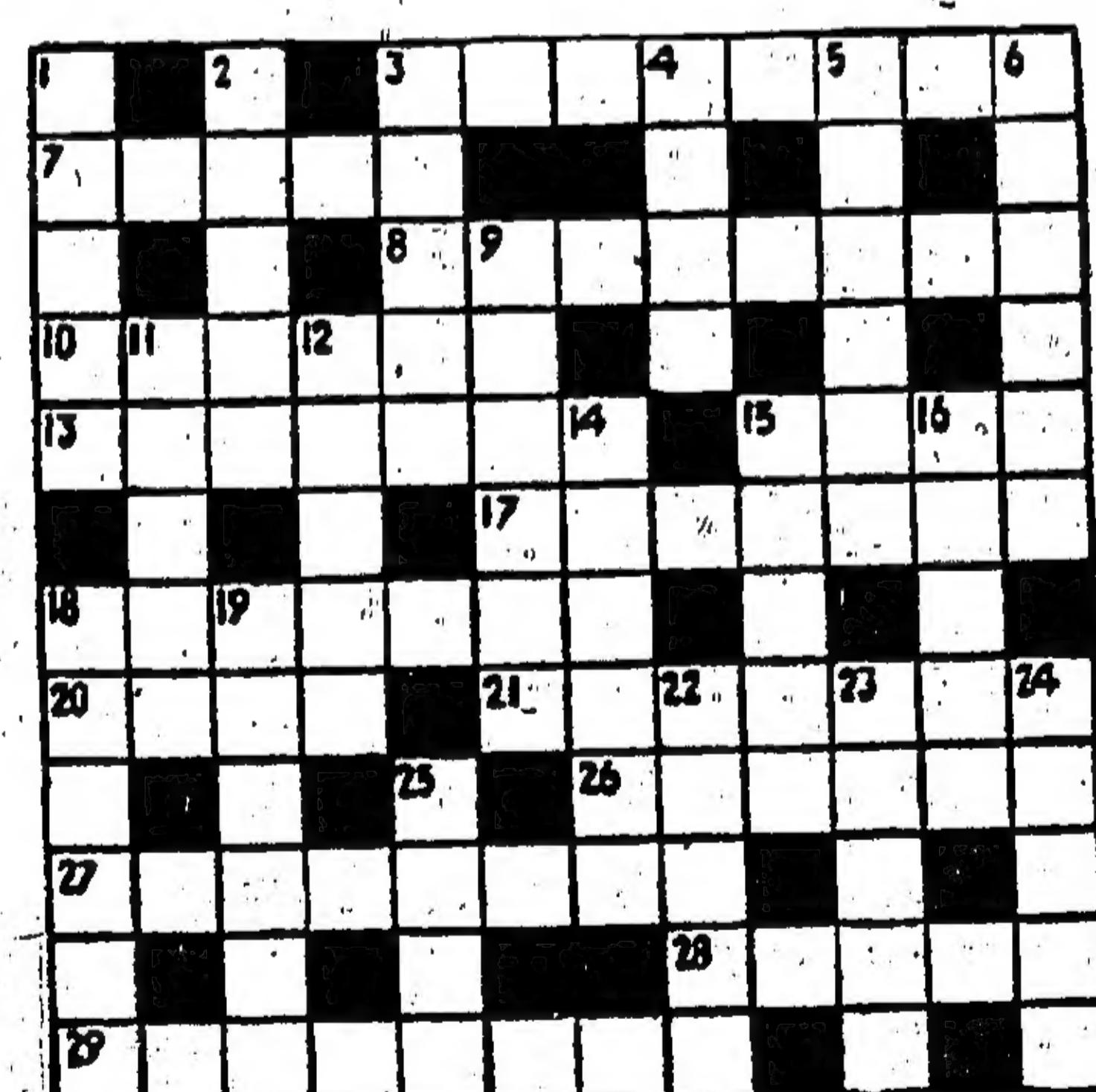
New York, May 4.
John Williamson, who has been a member of the United States Communist Party, left here voluntarily today rather than to be expelled. He left with the agreement of the American authorities, accompanied by his wife and his two sons.

Before sailing in the British liner Queen Elizabeth Williamson, a British subject, said he hoped to return when the United States had got rid of "Fascism" and real "Democracy" had triumphed.

He will settle in Scotland, where his 84-year-old mother still lives. He is 52.

Williamson served a three-year prison sentence for allegedly plotting to overthrow the United States Government by force. He was also threatened with legal proceedings for having belonged to the Communist Party.—France-Presse.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Pass on (8)
- 5 Go in (5)
- 8 Scaled (8)
- 10 Console (6)
- 13 Table support (7)
- 15 Uncommon (4)
- 17 Dies (7)
- 18 Protection (7)
- 20 Makes mistakes (4)
- 21 Lattice-work (7)
- 26 International agreement (6)
- 27 Grow in numbers (8)
- 28 Brittle (5)
- 29 Prudent (8)

DOWN

- 1 Minimum (5)
- 2 Perfumed (5)
- 3 Pamphlet (5)
- 4 Necessity (4)
- 5 Fruit (8)
- 6 Makes neat (6)
- 9 Choose (6)
- 11 Command (5)
- 12 Beasts of burden (5)
- 14 Brings to bear (8)
- 15 Firearm (6)
- 16 Send (5)
- 18 Challenged (6)
- 19 Disturbance (6)
- 22 Upright (6)
- 23 Dead language (5)
- 24 Slender girl (5)
- 25 Kind of tree (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Jam jar, 5 Geese, 8 Level, 9 Cereal, 10 Numbs, 11 Named, 12 Bite, 13 Rests, 16 Debase, 18 Morsel, 20 There, 22 List, 23 Aspic, 25 Dies, 26 Solenn, 27 Lemon, 28 Steed, 29 Nettle. Down: 1 Jackboot, 2 Maritime, 3 Alum, 4 Relates, 5 General, 6 Eludes, 7 Sabot, 14 Sediment, 15 Sentence, 16 Dressed, 17 Benson, 18 Oracle, 21 Holst, 24 Cone.



Billy Graham, the American evangelist, conducting a successful crusade in Scotland, drives from the 12th tee with an iron during a round of golf on the famous Glenelgues course.—Central Press.

Bonn, May 5.

West Germany will become a sovereign nation of 50,000,000 people today (Thursday) almost exactly 10 years after Hitler's Reich sank into smoking ruins.

At noon on "sovereignty day" the Federal Republic, freed of the shackles of occupation, will become an equal partner of her conquerors, and free to put 500,000 men under arms.

The occupation will be formally ended when the British and French High Commissioners, Sir Frederick Hoyer Millar and M. Andre Francois-Poncet, deposit documents ratifying the Paris treaties restoring West Germany's sovereignty. The United States, the third Western occupation power, has already done this.

Last obstacle to the establishment of this new era in relations between West Germany and the Big Three was removed last night when the West German Constitutional Court ruled that one of the key Paris treaties, the Franco-German pact establishing a "European statute" for the Saar border territory was constitutional. It had been challenged by Opposition Social Democrats who claimed it violated the West German constitution of 1949.

Many Germans are thinking of the future in terms of a united Germany—East and West—free of military alliances on any side.

With abolition of the Allied High Commissions and the end of the occupation, West Germany becomes one of the Allies, with the right to impose her laws on citizens of the other Allied Powers.

Foreign forces will also have to start sending their bills to their own Governments.

This will eventually hit the British, French and American taxpayer. In recent years the occupation costs, charged to West Germany, have worked out at about \$60 million marks (about £50,000,000) a month.

The Allied Control Commissions have been steadily cutting down their staffs in anticipation of their reduced functions as embassies. The British High Commission, which once employed over 10,000 people, is down to a staff of 730 Britons and 1,500 Germans.

After "sovereignty day" the face of the Republic will begin to change. As West Germany takes her place alongside the Big Powers again, only 10 years after her defeat on the battlefield, all references to "occupation" or "Allied" will disappear from official documents, road signs, number plates and building signs.

Allied troops will remain for the time being, but under treaty and not as occupiers. And in about a year, German troops will begin replacing them—part of the German contingent in the North Atlantic Treaty forces.

West Germany will be free after today to chart her own foreign policy and, despite her current ties with Western de-

fence, she could if she wanted, establish relations with the Communist East.

One of the first tasks of the Federal Defence Office will be to set up a committee to choose some 40 generals, free of Nazi taint, to command West Germany's forces.

The Defence Office will also begin work on machinery for recruiting, housing, clothing and feeding these forces—about 400 barracks will have to be built for example.

One of the first bills prepared by the Defence Office for presentation to Parliament will be one regulating the status of volunteers who will form the nucleus of the armed forces.

West Germany will have an army of 12 divisions or about 400,000 men. The air force of 80,000 men will have a total of 1,350 planes, including jet fighters, and the 20,000-strong navy will have 180 vessels including submarines up to 350

feet.

Under the Paris agreements, Germany has undertaken not to make atomic or bacteriological weapons, long range missiles and warheads of more than 3,000 tons.

West Germany's Social Democratic Opposition Party, who have long opposed the rearmament policy, were believed today to have refused to take over the post of State Secretary of the Defence Office.

Herr Erich Ollenhauer, Social Democratic Chairman, called today on Dr Konrad Adenauer, handing over a letter containing his Party's suggestions for future all-German reunification.

He is understood to have called for a renunciation of the Paris treaties so that a united Germany could be incorporated into a system of collective European security, without any leavings to East or West.

NEW JOBS

And in the next two months about one third of the existing staff—200 Britons and 500 Germans will have to find new jobs.

Embassy cars will no longer have Army number plates. They will have to carry German registration. And their drivers will be subject to German traffic police, except for a few driving cars with diplomatic privilege.

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS

Documents ratifying West Germany's entry into the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation will also be deposited today in Brussels and Washington.

France and Germany will finalise their Saar agreement by an exchange of letters between M. René Coty and Professor Theodor Heuss, the two Presidents.—France-Presse.

THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

The purpose of the agreement is to promote and develop the peaceful uses of atomic energy in the two countries in conformity with the movement for international co-operation in the field of atomic energy on a worldwide scale.—France-Presse.

THE DUKES

The Duke added: "The result

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DID IT HAPPEN?

THE Phantom Gardener

Another in OUR series of stories by famous people—tales that could be fact . . . or fiction. Can YOU spot which are FACT and which are FICTION?

I DON'T know when I first saw Joe Lewis. But it will certainly have been in the garden. He was as much a part of the garden as the shrubbery down at the end and the big beech tree with a seat round it.

At the time when I first remember him I don't think he can possibly have been more than 50. But he seemed old to me, and I remember being told as a child that he had gardened for my grandfather and father for 35 years.

He must have been a handsome man when he was young. By the time I knew him he was already beginning to be bent from much digging and weeding. But he had the typical downsmen's eyes—unusually bright, rather cold blue eyes that always seemed to be focused on something a long way away.

Busy seasons

At that time Joe's garden—seen to be about the size of Hyde Park. In fact it wasn't really, very big. But it was a lot for one man to handle, particularly if it was to be kept as Joe liked it kept it, against the combined destructive efforts of myself, my brother and sister, the dogs, the cats, the jays, invading rabbits and other pests.

In the busy seasons Joe usually worked from about seven o'clock in the morning till it was dark, six days a week. Perhaps it was not surprising that in the years that I knew him I never saw Joe in a really good temper. He just varied between being grumpy and being very grumpy. "Cross-grained" was my father's description of him, and he was one of the proudest and most obstinate human beings I have ever met.

When my father died, and I inherited the place and Joe, I had plans for some small changes in the garden. Moreover, I was now living mainly in London, and only coming to the house at week-ends.



by NIGEL BALCHIN

Business executive? Industrial psychologist? Back-room "boffin"? Author? Nigel Balchin is all these and more. The secret of his interests is shown in his novels—The Small Back Room, Mine Own Executioner, Sundry Creditors, and many others. Twice married, he lives in Sussex.

Wilderness

For practically a year I suffered from a distressing procession of unsupervised "jobbing gardeners." They stayed on the average two months, and then wandered away to learn on their spades elsewhere.

At length, about a year after Joe left, even this sorry supply dried up, and I was left with no gardener.

By this time Joe Lewis's beautifully kept garden was already beginning to get out of hand, and after a couple of months without any attention it was on the way to becoming a wilderness.

Four stories

It was just after the war that Joe left me, and to this day I have never been quite sure why. He was at least 80 by

order. The ground was dug over. Seeds were planted at the normal time. The flower-beds were cleared out and tidied—in fact everything was done that one might have expected from a good man working a couple of days a week. Moreover, there was something very familiar about the way the work was done.

I'm finished

One evening when I was looking at it rather dismally, I saw old Joe coming along the lane that passes the top of the garden. He paused and looked over the hedge. I was too far away to see his face, but knowing Joe I could imagine the grim satisfaction it gave him, and how he would go home and say, "Rare kind of mess up there now, since I packed up.

Mystified

He stood there for a long time looking, and then turned and went off with his queer heavy, trudging walk.

This was probably the real reason. But to somebody else he said that he had left because my dog had dug up a row of seedlings; to another that I had criticised something he had done; and finally, to yet another, that I had not paid his wages. All of these, of course, except the first, were complete nonsense, and I doubt if he even expected anyone to believe them. It was just that, being Joe, he could not give up his job, even at 80, without having a grouse about something.

Joe's rather sudden departure A

was then an odd thing happened. It was in the early spring, and the vital thing was to get the garden done.

At the week-end I travelled down from London to the house, and went out into the garden with a spade. To my surprise, I found that a "sizable" plot in the vegetable garden had been dug already—and recently. Somebody had put in at least a couple of days' hard work in my absence. I was completely mystified, because even if one of the local men had had time to spare, he would hardly have come and started work without asking me.

But at the next week-end the mystery deepened, and continued to deepen thereafter. For every time I visited the place my phantom gardener had been there, but gradually the place came back into some sort of

I hesitated and said, "You wouldn't like to come back, would you? It needn't be full time unless you like. You could just put in an hour or two when you feel like it."

"What—come back after I give in my notice? Not me. Tell you—I'm finished with gardening. Anyways, you don't want me. You got a chap does

Poorish year

and then, as the days grew colder, I had an idea. I remembered the legend of Robin Goodfellow, the fairy, Puck who would do the housewife's work for her at night, so long as she left him a bowl of cream as a reward. Without comment, I placed on the potting shed table a miniature of whisky—one of those little bottles, made for travel-



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Drawing by Koolman.

It for nothing. What you fussing about?" And he turned and trudged away without another word.

After that, it was difficult to see what to do about it. My phantom gardener continued to look after the place all that year. I was glad to see that when the crops came along he helped himself to small quantities of the vegetables he had grown. But if there was any sign of a shortage in any direction, that thing was never touched.

It was a poorish year for strawberries, for example. The phantom gardener took none. At length I felt that I could not go on any longer without trying to say "Thank you" in some form, so one week-end I wrote a note, saying how grateful I was and left it together with five pounds in the potting shed, merely addressed "To Whom it May Concern."

The following week-end both note and money were still there, but somebody had sprayed the tomato plants and trimmed the hedge. For a while I had to admit defeat.

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DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your tick in the space above and keep this panel by you until tomorrow when the answer will be given with another story in this series by . . .

ANITA LESLIE

And yesterday's tale—The Demon with the Long Fingers, by Edgar Huxley. Did it actually happen? NO.

THIS LAS VEGAS IS A RIP-ROARING TOWNSHIP

Nevada, Tuesday. order. Some come for sunshine, I came to see an atomic explosion.

LAS VEGAS obviously believes that there's no substitute for quantity. Everywhere in this city of splendid sin there are quantities of dyed blonde, quantities of rhinestone-decked matrons

handing over \$100 bills and sometimes raking in \$1,000 winnings, quantities of men hovering round the gaming tables and bars, and quantities of bright sunshine and oxygen-laden air.

I am leading a double life here, and it is a strain. Half my days and nights are spent on "The Strip" where the plush hotels and motels are strewed, and for the other half I am an "atomic observer" trekking out to Yucca Flat in the lonely desert to the atomic testing grounds.

Each day since I got here I have been up at 7 a.m., sharp, have read the excellent Las Vegas Sun, and taken the lift to the hotel lobby, which is decorated with orchids and a huge horseshoe of artificial flowers.

It is my ambition to find the casino, which occupies most of the ground floor of this gaudy hotel, deserted and the bar abandoned. They never are. The man, who was conservatively dressed (only three diamond rings on his fingers), said "Right. Dollars. That's what the British need and what we've been giving them. How come you're here?"

I told him. He said "They should blow the damn things off some place else. Bad for business. You know, some guys had their windows smashed with them explosions. Scare people to death and interferes with their fun. Why don't they blow 'em off in the Mid West or some place?"

After five days Las Vegas still leaves me rather stunned. It is a hard place to make up one's mind about.

A "disfigurement"

SOMETIMES (most times) I think this town a disfigurement on the face of America, an inflamed carbuncle; but now and again I forgive its excesses because of its dreadfully nearness to the atom-bomb testing site.

Perhaps the reason for the wild spending, the extravagant gaudiness, and the over-ripe luxury is the fact that destruction is so close by. It is a fact that since the Atomic Energy Commission began setting off

explosives 70 miles from here in 1951 Las Vegas has doubled its size, trebled its income, and accelerated its pleasure pace to jet speed.

Las Vegas and its admirers pretend to be nonchalant about its atom suburb.

My friend Lucius Beebe, a frequent visitor, writes: "In an age suffering from cosmic jitters unprecedented in the record of human folly, there is something vastly reassuring about Las Vegas. Publicity men keep telling me: 'Get Reno back."

Three rings

I WAS having a drink at the bar in the Flamingo, one of several score of pleasure-dromes, when a man began to talk to me.

He said: "Just made seven G's—not bad, eh, seven grand? You English? You know what G's are, what grand means?" I translated: "A G is \$1,000, a grand is \$1,000."

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This town, which is being called the new offspring of the past, a rip-roaring city worthy of the heroic American era, often resents the activities of the Atomic Energy Commission. I am not so sure that it resents my. Government representative taking a good hard look at it. I am not liberal. Las Vegas when I tell you the things we've done to the hotels and motels have been built with tainted money." The manager has moved in on the picking here, and some reporters have failed.

All the fancy casino firms, which range in architecture from "early wagon-wheel to pocket-book modern," haven't brought in the money except to the pockets of the men who own and operate them. It would be logical. If the Atomic Energy Commission, with its test sites and experiments and expanding projects here, had succeeded where the gambling and divorce have failed.

After Bandung: CHOU PLAYS HIS ACE

By James Wickenden

CHOU En-lai's agreement that Indonesia's Chinese must choose between Indonesian and Chinese citizenship poses vital questions in the capitals, junks and shop-houses of Southeast Asia.

Is it a genuine peace move? Or is it a step to build a fifth column out of the 12,000,000 Chinese in the area? Or an attempt to forestall Formosa's wooing of these people?

All Asian leaders have been trying for months to settle with Peking the status of Chinese expatriate communities, from India's Nehru to Burma's U Nu. So Chou's agreement appears to follow the middle line of "co-existence" he trod at Bandung.

It also faces facts. For nearly half the 2,000,000 Chinese in Indonesia have already applied for Indonesian citizenship. From Indonesia's point of view it would matter little if the rest chose Chinese status, for all Indonesia's Chinese represent only three percent of its large population. Its pro-Communist regime could accept another colony of Communist citizens.

They have allied with the strongest political party on the Malay mainland—the MCA-UMNO alliance. They have begun to raise the Nanyang University in Singapore, a feat unequalled by any other overseas Asian community.

Those whose freedom has been most cramped among the Overseas Chinese are the younger generation. Communism in China has cut them off from an unbiased home-schooling, for which many sons were sent back to China before the war. Only from Indonesia is free travel to China and back permitted. About 5,000 boys sail home every year—but some return as agents of unrest and sabotage.

Main Targets

The Overseas Chinese have been the main targets of the propaganda war between Peking and Taipei. Both capitals have been set aside seats in their constitutional assemblies for Overseas Chinese.

Pressed from all sides, the Overseas Chinese have moved with slow, traditional stubbornness. Every political view can now be found among them. Communism to those who believe Britain should send the Duke of Windsor to rule Singapore.

At the crucial moment when Malaya and Indonesia are in a year of vital elections and political building, Chou may step in. If he does, that all Overseas Chinese should choose Chiang or Chou—is erroneous. The possibility of thousands of Chinese declaring in favour of Chinese citizenship and returning to China is remote. They have too much at stake in Southeast Asia. They even claim to be wealthier than the Peking exchequer.

Local Ties

In fact, speaking to many Chinese in Southeast Asia, one confirms that few want to make such a choice at all. The picture of the Overseas Chinese being a bloc of 12,000,000 potential fifth columnists—either for Chiang or Chou—is erroneous.

At least a third of them have strong local ties, but they retain a love of their motherland. In Malaya, 20 percent of the Chinese (total 3,000,000, half the population) are "Baba" or local-born, with half-Malay ancestry. The same blood tie exists in Thailand (with 3,000,

MONKEY BAN MAY HIT CHILDREN

By Chapman Pincher

SUMMER is coming: it will bring an outbreak of infantile paralysis. But Britain's efforts to produce a new and highly effective vaccine are almost at a standstill—because of a shortage of monkeys.

The vaccine has been pioneered in America by Dr. James Salk of Pittsburgh; and monkey tissue is required to produce it.

But the Indian Government has refused monkeys to British research workers since 1954 of the animals were accidentally suffocated at London Airport four months ago.

So, it has been revealed, the Medical Research Council has sent a plea to India on urgent humanitarian grounds for a steady supply of monkeys.

Arrangements have been made to farm them out to zoos until they are needed.

The shortage of monkeys is mainly responsible for a decision by the Medical Research Council to reduce the scale of tests on children this summer.

The Medical Research Council believes that the final answer will be a different kind of vaccine which can be grown on hen's eggs instead of monkey tissue.

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Most of them come for dollars, drink, and women—in that



"Guess what began in the gloaming, and busily all the night, has been keeping field and highways with a silence deep and white...."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MAY 5

BORN today, you arecessfully. You are a "softy" blessed with excellent for a sad story and will memories. Facts, figures, always be generous with faces are all included. You anything you have, provided have an automatic filing someone seems to need it case inside your head. Be more! Your talents should sure that you make use of always pay you well. Just this gift in your life work learn to keep something for for, like any talent, it can yourself. disappear with disuse. You Popular with all groups are apt to be a little visionary when it comes to making plans. You imagine that the fair sex are apt to be the best only is good enough flirtatious and must watch — and since you are so out that others do not take highly idealistic, you strive you too seriously. for the best there can be. Sometimes you hitch your wagon to so high a star it often seems impossible of attainment. Yet, somehow, you usually manage to reach your ultimate goal successfully.

You are not as careful as Tyrone Power, actor.

To find what the stars you should be in business matters and if you go into have in store for you to business for yourself, you tomorrow, select your birth should see to it that you day star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let a man who knows how to your birthday star be your handle money matters successfully.

FRIDAY, MAY 6

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—A fine working day. Get a lot done which will show on the ultimate report sheet of progress.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—This is no time for worrying. Tackle each 19. There is such a thing problem presented with as "good luck"—and today commonsense and all goes is the time it may happen to you!

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Daytime plans can be carried through on schedule. Evening hours are not too dependable, however.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Try not to let emotions get out of control. If you lose your head, you may lose an important decision!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Pay close attention to some advice from an expert. You will find that you can make good use of it.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) Test all your ideas today to make sure that they are thoroughly practical and will work out.

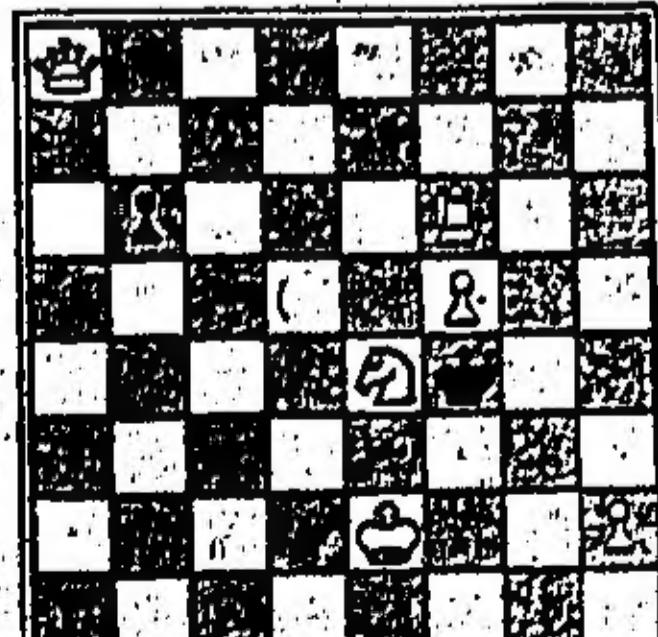
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CHESS PROBLEM

By E. J. de C. ANDRADE

Black, 2 pieces



White, 6 pieces.
White to play, mate in three.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q—R4; any 2, Q, R, or B (ch. or dbl. ch.) mates.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

The Bid Here Will Depend on Players

—By OSWALD JACOBY

THERE was no "scientific" way to bid the South hand. It was surely correct to bid one spade at the first turn. When North then indicated a minimum opening bid, by means of a rebid of one no-trump, South had to decide whether to go for a game, or for a part score.

In a situation of this kind, the timid player bids only two spades. An aggressive player bids four spades. A jump to three spades simply wastes time, for North will probably bid three no-trump, and South will then bid four spades anyway.

South can't really tell what the hand is likely to produce, but the aggressive bid pays in the long run when it is backed up by skilful play of the cards.

West opened the eight of hearts, and East properly won with the ace. East thought about returning a heart but decided against it since he had the feeling that South's king of

NORTH (D). 22
♦3
♦QJ52
♦AQ7
♦KQ963
WEST
♦K5
♦975
♦985
♦87542
EAST
♦A54
♦A10943
♦K104
♦J10
SOUTH
♦QJ109872
♦K
♦J632
♦A
North-South vul.
North East South West
1♦ 1♥ 1♦ Pass
1NT. Pass 4♦ Pass
Pass
Opening lead—♦8

hearts was an honest singleton, rather than a facecard. Instead, East rebid a low trump.

West won with the king of spades and led the nine of diamonds through dummy's ace queen. This was where South had to back up his aggressive bidding by skilful play of the cards. If he took a diamond finesse, he would lose to the king, and the total loss would be one heart, one diamond, and two trumps.

Instead, declarer put up dummy's ace of diamonds at once. He next cashed the queen of hearts and discarded the ace of clubs. This enabled him to cash the king and queen of clubs, on which he could discard two diamonds. Finally, he cashed the jack of hearts, discarding his last diamond.

After this series of plays South could easily give up one trump trick, claiming the rest. He lost only one heart and two trumps.

There were two basic points in the play of this hand. First, South had to notice that it was possible for him to discard the ace of clubs and pursue the rest of the winning line of play.

Second, South had to assume that this line of play was more likely to succeed than a simple diamond finesse. The tip-off came when East decided not to bid a heart at the second round. Surely he would have done so if he had a six-card heart suit, for then he would seriously hope to give his partner an immediate ruff.

When East failed to try for the ruff, it was clear that West had started with at least three hearts.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)

If this is the end of a rather

hectic week, plan to relax at a movie or attend the theatre tonight.

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ENGLAND'S PRESTIGE IS AT STAKE IN WORLD FROG OLYMPICS

Says DONALD WISE

The World Frog Olympics open at Margate in South Africa, next month. Three hundred pounds in prize money is at stake. So is England's frog prestige.

South Africans sneer at the likes of Raina Temporaria, the small, sleek flyweights of the British Isles. Against the cannibal croakers of the Cocus Islands, the heavyweights fliers from Japan, America and Australia no one gives England a grasshopper's chance.

And "Leaping Lena", pride of the Union, will be out to prove her record aggregate of 32ft. 3in. in three bounds. Mind you, Lena made her best hope off the Ladies' mark before a herpetologist revealed "she" was a male frog.

Lena has never done well in competitions, but she once sprang from her bucket in a San Francisco store, fell two stories through a window and 20 hours later was recovered, panting, from a telephone booth.

The entry list opened this week with an immediate 600 starters, including "Uranium Pete", a Yankee road once disqualified from a match race for being radio-active.

Events include high and long jumps, swimming (free style) and diving, and 120, 240 and 900 land dashes (distances are in inches).

It costs about 30s. to send three frogs to South Africa by air, and another 5s. a month stabbing fees per head.

JUMPING PRACTICE

That guarantees a damp bed, plenty of jumping practice, and athletes' diet of garden insects (but no debilitating slugs).

Three frogs could sweep the £100 prize money for an outlay of less than £3. And there are no immigration problems—unless the frogs come from a foot-and-mouth disease area.

Promoter Fears Cockell May Give Him Ulcers

San Rafael, California, May 4.

The British heavyweight challenger, Don Cockell, obtained an American driving licence today, to the horror of promoter Jimmy Murray, who said he would try to keep Cockell off the road.

Unique Honour Conferred On Len Hutton

London, May 4. Len Hutton, who led England to victory over Australia in the Test series during the winter, today had a unique cricket honour conferred upon him when he was elected an Honorary Member of the

"The guy will give me ulcers before he's through," said Murray, who is co-promoting the IBC's May 16 world title fight at Kew Stadium between Cockell and Champion Rocky Marciano. "I certainly don't want Cockell getting banged up in a wreck which might postpone the bout."

Murray has predicted that the fight will draw a million-dollar gate. John Simpson, Cockell's manager, said:

"Let him worry, let him worry. Both drove all over the place when he was training in Seattle for his fight against Harry Matthews. He drives 200 miles a day in England and is very expert at the wheel."

Murray agreed that Cockell may be expert at the wheel but pointed out that the Briton is not used to driving on the right side of the road. He said: "He might forget and turn the wrong way, you know. I don't approve at all."—United Press.

West Indies Pitches Hard On Australians

Bridgetown, Barbados, May 4. The hard pitches in the West Indies have caused minor injuries to some of the bowlers in the Australian touring team.

Ray Lindwall has a bruised heel and will miss the game against Barbados starting here on Saturday. Keith Miller has a swollen right knee, but hopes to be fit in time to play in the match.

Spinner Jack Hill (bruised knee) also expects to be completely fit by Saturday.—China Mail Special.

Marylebone Cricket Club

Hutton, who is due to return by sea from Australia next Monday, thus becomes the first professional cricketer to be made an MCC member while still an active player.

The MCC specially amended their membership rule to admit Hutton, who has established a record by captaining England in 23 Test matches.—Reuter.

Dunlop Golf Tournament

Wentworth, Surrey, May 4. Three of Britain's "over 40" Ryder Cup internationalists, Arthur Lees of Britain and Irishmen Fred Daly and Harry Bradshaw, won their way through a half mile into the lead after two rounds of the Dunlop 96 holes golf tournament here today.

Lees, defeating the wind with low flying from second shots, returned a grand 72 over the tough West course to total 141 and head the field by one stroke. Daly, who had a 71 over the shorter East course, held second place with 142.

Bradshaw did the West course in 73 to aggregate 144 and share third place with Willie Henderson, a Scot, who toured the same course in 74.

A total of 100 professionals and four amateurs, with scores of 159 or better, qualified for the third round tomorrow.—China Mail Special.

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Birmingham City Wins Second Division Honours

London, May 4. Birmingham City became Champions of the English Second Division Soccer League tonight when they whopped Doncaster Rovers at Doncaster in their final game.

Lying fourth in the table before the match, Birmingham showed brilliant opportunism and accurate shooting to win by five goals to one.

This gave them the Championship on goal average. They finished 29 of a goal better off than Luton Town, who had already completed their programme. Both clubs are promoted to the First Division.

Birmingham's success dashed the hopes of Rotherham of going up for the first time in the Club's history. Rotherham had the same number of points (54) as Birmingham and Luton, but their inferior goal average put them in third place.

London, May 4. Surrey, the English County Cricket Champions, followed their decisive win over Cambridge University by dismissing seven MCC batsmen for 116 on the opening day of their three-day game at Lords today.

Rain restricted play to only two hours in this match and also affected the three other first class games which began today.

Alec Bedser, discarded in Australia from the English Test side, began the MCC collapse, making his first appearance of the season, the fast medium bowler shattered the stumps of left-hander Peter Richardson, the MCC and Worcestershire opening bat, with the fifth ball of the day.

With Laker, Lock and Loader also bowling well, Surrey look likely to make a strong bid this season for their fourth successive championship. Bedser finished with two for 30, Lock three for 29 and Laker two for 23.—Reuter.

Ray Lindwall has a bruised heel and will miss the game against Barbados starting here on Saturday. Keith Miller has a swollen right knee, but hopes to be fit in time to play in the match.

Spinner Jack Hill (bruised knee) also expects to be completely fit by Saturday.—China Mail Special.

Hall's Left Hook Drops Marciano In Training

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KNOCKOUT PUNCH



Randolph Turpin, Empire Cruiserweight title holder, also annexed the British title by his KO of Alex Buxton in the second round of the contest at Harringay. This picture shows the knockout. Central Press Photo.

The Meteoric Rise Of Athletics Has Become Cricket's Chief Rival

Says ALAN HOBY

This year millions more Britons than ever before will watch athletics—the amateur sport which in a few meteoric years has become cricket's chief rival as the nation's No. 1 summer attraction.

Two factors have boosted the popularity of the athletes—1. The post-war rise of great runners like Roger Bannister, Chris Chataway and Gordon Pirie; 2. Television.

Unfortunately, Bannister, the master-miler, will no longer "surge round the track like a high-powered racing car."

Secure in his immortality as the first human to run a mile in under four minutes, Dr Bannister retired last autumn to write a book and absent himself in his medical duties.

What now? Who will succeed him? Who will be the track giant of 1955?

I give you Douglas Alistair Gordon Pirie.

Two years ago I forecast that galloping Gordon would be Britain's top athlete in 1953. He was. This summer I make an even bolder prophecy:

I predict that, given normal luck and freedom from illness or injury, Pirie will put up performances which will make his 1953 exploits pale by comparison.

In case you've forgotten, Pirie was elected "Athlete of the Year," "Champion of the Year," and "Sportsman of the Year" in 1953—a "triple first."

In that year, too, this whipcord young man—he stands 5 ft. 2 ins. and weighs 9 st. 13 lbs.—beat the USA's crack miller Wes Santee over a mile at the White City, London.

And here I am convinced,

he's the cue to the Pirie plan.

RELIABLE INFORMATION

For I have reliable information that over the first part of the season the 24-year-old Pirie intends to concentrate largely on distances ranging from 880 yards to two miles, with the mile and 1,500 metres as priority objectives.

Let us analyse what this could mean—both to Pirie and to British athletics.

What he retired Roger Bannister, named four British runners whom he believed capable of running a mile under four minutes—Chris Chataway, Ian Boyd, Brian Newson, and Pirie.

Bannister added: "I don't see any medical or physiological reason why the mile should not go as low as 3 mins 50 secs."

Now let us dig deeper. "Puff-puff Pirie is the finest all-round runner the country has produced," including Sydney Wooderson.

Whether it will come off, I cannot say at this early stage—but one thing I do know:—some day someone is going to do 3 mins 50 secs. and even 3 mins 50 secs. for the mile—the runner whom I believe will be either Wes Santee (USA) or Gordon Pirie (Britain).—London Express Service.

FANLING GOLF

A friendly golf match will be played at Fanling on Saturday, May 28, between a Captain's team and a side representing the Ladies' Section Captain. Play will be on handicap (plus) and partners will be arranged but starting times will be drawn.

Members and Lady Associates

wishing to take part in this match are requested to notify the office (32340) as early as possible or place their names on entry lists posted on Clubhouse Notice boards.

LADIES' DIVISION

Following is the draw for the Glover Cup to be played over the Deep Water Bay Course during the summer months:

First Round—Whiter v Vaughn; Black v Mrs J. C. Chater; Mrs J. G. Laroche; Mrs J. G. Gurney; Mrs W. Lawrence-Green; Mrs N. Brown; Mrs D. L. Anderson v Mrs W. Birkinshaw; Mrs P. F. F. Wilkinson v Mrs E. M. Whistler; Mrs Goldsmith v Mrs J. C. C. Black.

Second Round—Whiter v Vaughn; Black v Mrs J. C. Chater; Mrs J. G. Laroche; Mrs J. G. Gurney; Mrs W. Lawrence-Green; Mrs N. Brown; Mrs D. L. Anderson v Mrs W. Birkinshaw; Mrs P. F. F. Wilkinson v Mrs E. M. Whistler; Mrs Goldsmith v Mrs J. C. C. Black.

Third Round—Mrs R. Lindemann; Mrs J. C. C. Black v Mrs J. F. Shoemaker; Mrs J. E. B. Miller v Mrs A. R. Colman; Mrs Van der Togt v Mrs A. R. W. Grant; Mrs T. A. Pearce v Mrs John Ward; Mrs J. R. Collis v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs W. A. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs J. R. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs J. R. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs J. R. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs J. R. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton; Mrs J. R. Wilson v Mrs J. R. Paton.

The first named player of each couple is responsible for arranging the match.

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Next Season Will See The Beginning Of A New Era In Soccer

Says TOMMY LAWTON

Praise Manchester City and Portsmouth for sticking to their superb, new football styles—for refusing to join the slump in the general standard of play since Christmas.

Physical fitness and honest endeavour we have seen in plenty, but pure football has been rare. The good intentions of many clubs have gone by the board.

The reason? It could be that many more youngsters are getting their chances in the League teams.

If this is so—and I hope it is—we must give them a chance of adjusting themselves to the tempo of League football.

But although English football is not as good as it was, the future looks very bright. We have more GOOD youngsters in the game now than at any time since the war.

Bowls Teams

The following are selections for lawn bowls League teams for the opening games on Saturday.

HKFC

The following have been selected to play in the HKFC lawn bowls at home on Saturday, at 3.30 p.m. B.I. Blackford (skip), R.C. Butler, P. Gaffey, P.B. Gardner, K. Forster, G. G. B. Baker, W. G. M. G. R. Blyth, F. Greenwood (skip), H. Radford, T. Sneddon, K.B. Baker, Third Division game against USRC away on Saturday, at 3.30 p.m.

M. Rakinson (skip), W. Woodstock, W. Taylor, H. Black, H. Sheldene (skip), T. Dyer, H. Van-Echten, H. Holgate, N. Van-Hack, A. Boyd-Cowan.

A game will be arranged for the following players at the Club on Saturday, at 3.30 p.m. R.A. Jones, H.B. Dowbiggin, G. McCormick, C. Edgell, A. Crook, M. McCormick, Philipine Club.

The following players have been selected to represent the Philipine team in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Divisions on Saturday.

1st Division:—J. Lee (skip), CCC m. 4 p.m.; J. Lee, A. H. Souza, A. Bachoo, C.A. Coelho (skip); E.J. Xavier, G. S. Ferreira, J. Couton, J. Silva (skip); C. A. Xavier, M.T. Nunes, J.A. Tibble, R. Baez (skip); Reserve:—E.G. Barros.

2nd Division (home) v FRC at 3 p.m.; J. Lee, A. H. Souza, A. Hussain, J. Coelho (skip); T. M. Neves, M.A. Rahaman, H.F. Pereira, A. Neves (skip); A. da Luz, H.M. Xavier, J. Lee, A. H. Souza, A. Coelho (skip); Reserve:—E. da Luz.

3rd Division (away) v Prison Officers at 4 p.m.; C.M. Rosario, M. J. L. A. Ferreira, L.A. Rosario, C. M. Castro, F. Tan (skip); C. M. Foster, Paul Chung, V. Espina, C. M. Castro (skip); Reserve:—U. Esmael.

Manila Plans Oriental Boxing Carnival

Manila, May 4.

A proposal to stage a carnival of Oriental boxing champions in action here in October was revealed last night by the Philippines Games and Amusement Board.

Six titles will be at stake during the three-night affair.

It will be held in connection with the first anniversary of the Oriental Boxing Federation.

The Philippines Game and Amusement Board also announced that the Oriental Boxing Federation accepted the South Chinese Boxing Federation's application for membership bringing the OBF roster to four members—the Philippines, Japan, Thailand and South Korea.

Fights to be staged during the carnival will include:

Hitoshi Misako of Japan, the Oriental flyweight champion, against Tammy Campo, the Philippine bantamweight champion; Leo Espinosa, the Oriental bantamweight champion against Kellie Komuro of Japan; Shigeji Kaneko of Japan, the Oriental featherweight champion, against Emile Tinde of the Philippines; Sonmez Yong, Kitrat of Thailand, the Oriental welterweight champion, against Sat Gony of the Philippines; Hachiro Tatsumi of Japan against Paulino of the Philippines for the middleweight title.—France-Presse.

Scotland Beats Portugal 3-0 In Driving Rain

Glasgow, May 4.

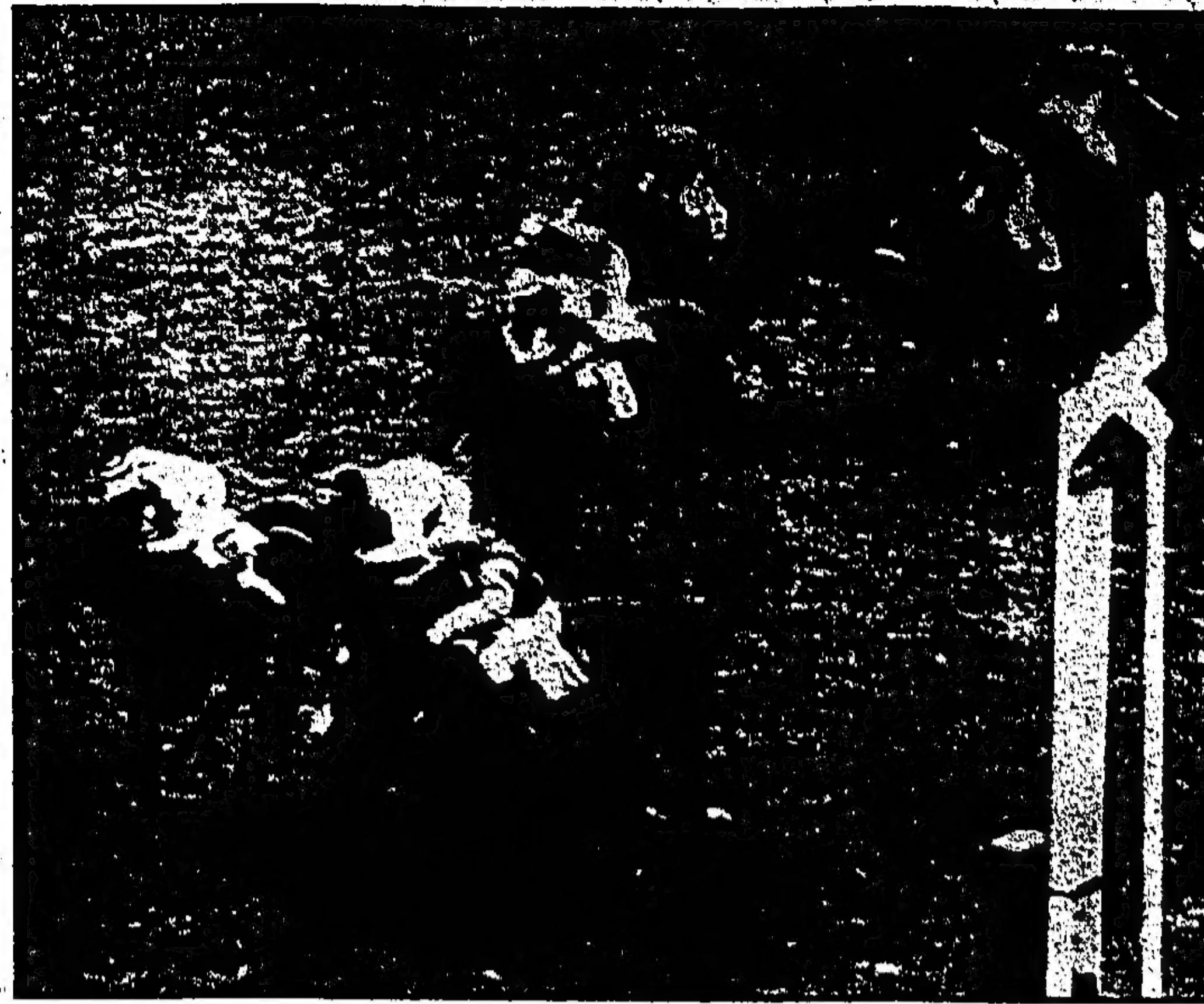
A crowd of 20,858, braving driving rain, saw Scotland beat Portugal by three goals to nothing at the giant Hampden Park stadium here tonight.

Portugal, who meet England in Lisbon on May 22, were far from disgraced. They played attractive football, particularly in the first half and they were unlucky to be two goals down at the interval.

Eric Gemmill, Scotland's inside-left, opened the scoring in the seventh minute, when wing half Emilio Gomes missed his kick. Billy Liddell added the second nine minutes from half-time, scoring from 20 yards.

Scotland's third goal, in the last minute of the match, was a "ghost" one scored by centre-forward Leslie Bell. —Reuter.

PHOTO FINISH IN 2,000 GUINEAS



So close, that a photo was called for, Mr D. Robinson's Our Babu, ridden by Champion Jockey Doug Smith (21) wins the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket.

Narrowly beaten into second place is Lord Porchester's Tamerlane, A. Breamley in the saddle (left), and running a close third is M. M. Fabiani's Kharion, with J. Delforge up.—Reuterphoto.

You Must Be Tough To Be Champions

Says ROY BENTLEY

Chelsea the Champions...at last! It seems just too good to be true. But here we are, after 50 years, THE team of England.

Of course, people have been saying that we got it the tough way. And they are right, too. You have to be tough to win anything. But don't let anyone say we were dirty. We were never that.

We won the League because for the first time Chelsea had a team hardened to play 90 minutes in every game.

I can remember many a time this season when we have snatched a point, whereas in the old days we would have packed up and lost by two or three goals.

There are no quitters now, no chaps throwing in the sponge. They daren't...not with Ted Drake around. He would have them in the office just about before they could get their boots off.

That is Ted Drake's way. The best or nothing...all out or get out. He made it quite plain to us when he took over.

We groused all right when he started to toughen us up, but before long, we were enjoying our training and looking forward to our games.

Not just the first team players. It was every player on the staff. Ted made the newest kid from school feel as important as the first team players.

When he came along I remember him saying: "I want a team of 100 per cent players...and I'm going to get them."

I don't think he is satisfied even now. He will want better and better performances and you can bet he is working along those lines already.

We have been lucky to get a manager like Ted Drake. In the past we have had lots of great names in the Chelsea side but never this spirit.

Mind you, Ted has a grand bunch of players. They are proud of being Chelsea. They resent the old gags and not so funny stories. They wanted success for Chelsea.

For instance, when Les Stubbs lost his place to Seamus O'Connell on Saturday the first thing Stubbs did when O'Connell arrived was to shake his hand and wish him a good game.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate whom they consider to be Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be received until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to The Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

To The Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the Club.

(Signed)

Ron Barton Looks A Healthy Corpse!

By GEORGE WHITING

Ron Barton, the best-looking cruiserweight we have had since Jack Petersen was breaking hearts with his features and noses with his fists, will be in one piece when he fights Canada's Yvon Durelle at the Royal Albert Hall on May 24.

Our Mr Barton will parade the normal complement of arms and legs, there will be no knife-wounds in his back, and—to begin with, at least—his face will bear its normal striking resemblance to that of Marlon Brando.

Scotland Yard itself buzzed with gory details. The rumour even reached America and the

Continent. Harry Leyerle, the Albert Hall promoter, brought the services of photographers to prove he was not doing business with a corpse when he asked Barton to sign contracts to fight Durelle.

"I have been talking to the supposed victim about it all," he told me. "But it was not so funny when, during my absence, my mother was told I was seriously injured and having blood transfusions in hospital. She was worried out of her wits till I came home."

But the car crash yarn was just too mundane for the wild-fire rumourmongers.

In no time at all, Barton had been beaten up by Teddy-Boys at Bethnal Green, slashed to pieces in a "spiel joint" in the West End, "done in" at a dance hall at the Elephant and Castle, and cut to ribbons by a razor-gang in the Strand.

Poor Barton would never fight again. How could he—with dagger-stabs all over his body, an ear missing, and anything from 40 to 100 stitches in his face?

There has been nothing like it since Bruce Woodcock "died" after the Joe Basic fight.

For days on end newspaper offices, hospitals and the Boxing Board of Control have been flooded with solicitous inquiries.

I myself have had at least a dozen accounts of the terrible injuries inflicted on meat porter Barton by such well-armed implements as pocket knives, coshes, stilettos and a furniture van.

Motor Sports Club To Hold Treasure Hunt

In the belief that Members may not yet have fully recovered from the after-effects of the Club's annual Dinner-Dance and the Vital Game.

Other delights the players most was that the crowd were so happy.

I think they realise that we have won this title during a time when football is improving, as it has improved since the Hungary match when we realised that we were not training for the job in hand.

Ted soon attends to any slackers in our routine. I remember him telling us: "You can be the smartest players in the business, but you are no good if you will not take a crack at goal."

"Don't be nervous about shooting. I don't give a hang if you miss a dozen times as long as you shoot, because you must score eventually."

The Boss never misses a point. He got us together and told us how each year we had one bad month. We rode that bad month and then ran into a spell around October when we thought we had run out of luck.

But Ted told us: "Don't sit around, moping and wait for your luck to come back. Go out and fight for it. It will soon be back." And, by jove, it was.

Next year do not be surprised if we get the Cup AND the League."

It may sound like boasting but not when you have a team with the spirit that makes Chelsea the Champions.

We are the tough boys of football alright. We are tough among ourselves, always fighting for our places, and if you are out of the first team you can bet your boots that the reserve is battling to keep your job.

Ted Drake's first words to a new player are: "You must be grousing to belong to Chelsea."

Now I feel it is the greatest honour I have known in football.

League Soccer Results

London, May 4.

Association Football results:

INTERNATIONAL MATCH:

Scotland 3 Portugal 0

LEAGUE DIVISION I:

Everton 0 Aston Villa 1

Leicester 4 B. W. W. 0

LEAGUE DIVISION II:

Doncaster 1 B. Ham. 5

Lincoln C. 0 Port Vale 1

LEAGUE III, NORTH:

Barnsley 4 Chester 2

Bradford C. 0 Accrington 3

Worthington 0 Halifax 0

Wrexham 4 Grimsby 0

LEAGUE III, SOUTH:

Brighton 5 Aldershot 3

Coventry C. 1 Southend U. 4

Swindon 2 Reading 0

Torquay U. 2 Colchester U. 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIV. "B":

Alloa 0 Queen's Park 0

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Yearly Meeting of Share-
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No. 9 Ice House Street, Fourth
Floor, Hongkong, on Thursday,
5th May 1955, at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving
the Statement of Accounts
and the Report of the Directors
for the year ended 31st
December 1954, and to trans-
act the ordinary business of
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Ike's Low Tariff Bill
PROTECTIONISTS
BEATEN

Washington, May 4.

Protectionist Senators opposing President
Eisenhower's low tariff Bill were heavily defeated
tonight when the Senate rejected a key proposal to
limit imports of foreign oil — chiefly from
Venezuela — to a ten per cent quota of domestic
consumption.The proposal was regarded as a major test of
the Senate's sentiment in the current debate on
the Bill. It was defeated by a standing vote on
which there was no "official" count, but there
appeared to be a majority of about two to one for
rejection.The quota was sponsored by
Senator Matthew Neely, a West
Virginia Democrat, on behalf of
his State's big coal producing
industry.In an impassioned speech he
blamed excessive oil imports for
the "empty stomachs" in
every coal producing region in
the United States.It was supported by at least
four other Democrats from coal
producing areas.The protectionist camp suffered
their first defeat earlier today when
the Senate shouted down, in a voice vote, an amendment
to strip the President of his
tariff cutting powers. — Reuters.Hungarian
Archduchess
NaturalisedA handsome, grey-haired woman,
once the toast of Hungarian
royalty but now an office clerk
struggling to support her two
teen-age daughters, stood
quietly in the Federal Court
with 150 other persons today
to take the oath of United
States citizenship.The Archduchess Catherine von
Hapsburg-Lorraine, known
simply as Catherine Lorraine now,
renounced her title as
she was sworn in as an American
citizen. She came here
from Germany in 1949.
Immediately after the routine
ceremony she slipped un-
noticed out of the Court-
room to return to the small
apartment she occupies with
her daughters, Sarolta, 15,
and Ildiko, 13.Mrs. Lorraine, 45, is the es-
tranged wife of Archduke
Albrecht von Hapsburg-
Lorraine, Pretender to the
non-existent Hungarian throne.
The Archduke left
his wife and daughters in
1943 after the Nazis thwarted
his ambition to become King
of Hungary in World War II.
— United Press.CONCERN OVER
ALLIANCESBelgrade, May 4.
Turkish Premier Adnan
Menderes arrived here today to
pay a visit to Yugoslav Pre-
sident Marshal Josip Tito.He is expected to discuss
with Marshal Tito the differences
between Turkey and Yugoslavia
on the question of Middle East
alliances.Yugoslavia views with re-
serve the recently formed
alliances between Turkey, Iraq
and Pakistan. — France Presse.

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FRIDAY, MAY 6

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Formosa, Japan, Korea, 10 a.m.

Indo-China, 11 a.m.

Philippines, 2 p.m.

Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle
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Macao, 9 a.m.

China, People's Republic, 9:30 a.m.

Italy, France, 1 p.m.

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Mail Special

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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TEST TUBES, STATEMENT WRITING
HIGHS LAW, AND GADGETS THAT
RUN FASTER THAN SIGHT, SOUND
OR THOUGHT!

JOHN

BABBLE OF TONGUES IN AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, May 4. From the crowded cafes of the coastal cities to the mulga-wood campfires along the inland desert trails, the babble of foreign tongues is as much a part of Australia today as is a foaming surf and white-limbed gum-trees.

Since the end of World War II, immigrants from England and Europe have streamed into the cities and spread out across this great continent.

This year the millionth post-war immigrant will arrive here.

In the cities, most of those who have come have found jobs in industry, both as skilled and unskilled labourers. They have introduced new techniques and many, in spite of the language barrier, have become factory foremen.

Sir John Storey, Chairman of the Australian Immigration Planning Council, says that about 25 per cent of the workers in the steel industry are immigrants.

"They have helped to increase production by over 53 per cent since the war," he declared, adding that immigrants have also helped boost production in the cement, timber and brick and tile industries, and in the manufacture of public utilities.

SIDE BY SIDE

In the country, immigrants have taken jobs which Australians have refused. Out on the sun-baked, dust-choked Nullabor Plains, in south-western South Australia, Greeks, Italians, Germans, Russians and Poles are working side by side on railways.

A newspaper correspondent who recently toured outback areas reported that when men gathered round campfires, songs about "jumbuck" and "bullocky" were not half as common as Italian arias and German lieder.

In a report to the Australian Institute of School Inspectors, the New South Wales delegate, Mr T. H. Ramsay, said that immigrants have given Australia:

1. New designs in architecture, home furnishings and clothes.

2. New and better quality breads, meats and cheese.

3. New handicrafts such as leatherwork, flowermaking, weaving and pottery.

4. Assistance to dramatic clubs and ballet schools.

5. New techniques in art and painting.

6. Improved standards of literary and art criticism.

COOKERY

The New Australians have introduced old Australians to continental cookery. And the old Australians like it.

The immigrants have also made Australians more wine-conscious.

Australians have always been inclined to take their wines for granted. But since immigrants told them that some Australian wines are just as good as European wines, Australians are beginning to take more interest in them.

The growing interest in continental foods and good wines is not surprising, since one Australian resident in every 100 is an Italian who has arrived here since the end of World War II.

The Italian influence is also apparent in the increasing popularity of association football and in the fact that the major commercial radio stations all have special programmes for Italians.

After Italy, the greatest number of immigrants have come from Britain, then Poland, Holland, Germany, Yugoslavia, Soviet Russia, Latvia, Greece, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Lithuania.

ARMED FORCES

Some male immigrants have joined the armed forces and recently a Dutch girl, Anna Catharina van der Hucht, became the first non-British immigrant to join the Women's Royal Australian Naval Service.

At present the Immigration Department's particular concern is to prevent immigrants forming an independent community, like Melbourne's "Little Italy," where Italian families live in an isolated colony. One spokesman for the Immigration Department explained that it is hoped "to combat this isolation with sport."

Pictures of Australians at play and work have been displayed by the department throughout the country. Old Australians are invited to pick the immigrants. They invariably fail and an officer of the Immigration Department stresses that New Australians are "just like us."

Meanwhile the Government is making plans to step up the immigration programme. The Minister for Immigration, Mr Holt, said that although the gross gain to Australia in immigrants would reach 1,000,000 this year, the net gain would be only 750,000 owing to the annual exodus of old Australians abroad and the return to their countries of some disaffected immigrants.

Australia aims at increasing her population from the present 9,000,000 to 20,000,000 in 25 years. Mr Holt stated. This can only be done by bringing immigrants to Australia on a much bigger scale. — China Mail Special

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

MARKET

New York, May 4. A late rally coming after early selling put stocks up a bit in a session which reversed yesterday's market action.

Where stocks sold sharply in the fifth hour yesterday prices rallied today, lifting most issues well above the lows and putting some up a point or more on the day.

Trading, light on the early decline, increased on the upturn but turnover of 2,200,000 shares nevertheless was 430,000 below yesterday and smallest since April 5.

The action was seen as technical and entirely in line with expectations of the market community for a period of backing and filling after the recent rise to new bull market highs. When the early sell-off today failed to bring in new liquidation, traders resumed buying.

BEST GAINS

Best gains among the top-ranking industrials came in Du Pont, up 1 1/4; American Telephone and Eastern Kodak, each up 1 1/2.

Bethlehem Steel came back from its low but still closed almost a point lower, ex-dividend.

Industrials as a group averaged 0.24 point lower, with the entire loss reflecting ex-dividend adjustment. Railroads were up 0.51 on average despite a 3 point loss in Union Pacific.

Copper stocks responded to a new Chilean law giving American producers a better tax break. Kennecott gained nearly 2 points, Anaconda more than one.

CW 1,204 issues traded, 489 were higher, 426 lower.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$3,350,000.

The American Stock Exchange volume was 650,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were as follows:

Industrials 422.54
Railroads 158.40
Utilities 64.53
Stocks 188.51
Com. future price index 154.14

YESTERDAY'S PRICES

Alden Inst. Ass'y. 22
Allied Chemicals 99 1/2
American Airline 28
American Tobacco 152 1/2
American Smelting 48
American Tel & Tel 183 1/2
American Tobacco "B" 72 1/2
Anacapa Copper 15 1/2
Anheuser-Busch 77 1/2
Armour 15 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio 44 1/2
Bendix Aviation Corp. 12 1/2
Berkshire Corp. 11 1/2
Bethlehem Steel (xd.) 125 1/2
Boeing Airplane 61 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway 180 1/2
Caterpillar Tractor Co. 165 1/2
Chrysler Motors 79
Commercial Credit 50 1/2
Commonwealth Elec 39 1/2
Continental Edison 30 1/2
Continental Steel 30 1/2
Corn Products 80 1/2
Crane Co. 44 1/2
Crown Cork 22 1/2
Dupont de Nemours 189 1/2
Eastern Kodak 79 1/2
General Electric 51 1/2
General Motors 58 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor 67
Goodrich (B. F.) Co. 65 1/2
Goodwin Treadway Paper 100
Hewitt Mining Co. 40 1/2
International Business Machines 419 1/2
International Nickel 51 1/2
International Paper 102
International Tel & Tel 207 1/2
J. Manville Corp. 104
Lockheed Aircraft 45
Leeds Incorp. 20 1/2
Long Star Cement Co. 22 1/2
Montgomery Ward 54 1/2
National Cash Register "A" 42 1/2
National Distillers 20 1/2
National Lead 40 1/2
New York Central 40 1/2
Oils Elevators 64 1/2
Pacific Gas & Electric 47 1/2
Pan American Airways 40 1/2
Pittsburgh Pictures 49 1/2
Phillips Petroleum 77 1/2
Pittsburgh Plate Glass 44 1/2
Radio Corporation 44 1/2
Tele-Communications 84 1/2
Public Steel 60 1/2
Shell Oil Co. 60 1/2
Sinclair Vacuum 54 1/2
Southern Railway (Com.) 39
Standard Brands 39
Standard Oil of California 44 1/2
Standard Oil of New Jersey 114 1/2
Stoeckley-Van Camp 17 1/2
Studebaker-Packard Corp. 12 1/2
Swift & Co. 35 1/2
Union Carbide 80
Union Pacific Railway 170
U.S. Gypsum 22 1/2
U.S. Lime Co. 22 1/2
U.S. Rubber 45
United States Smelting 51
Warren Bros. 17 1/2
Westinghouse Electric 72 1/2
Woolworth 48 1/2
United Press 100

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Estate crepe, thick May 27 1/2
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AMSTERDAM
The market was dull. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, CIF May as follows:

No. 1 rubber 1.59 nom.
No. 2 rubber 1.58 nom.
No. 3 rubber 1.55 nom.
No. 1 crepe 1.55 nom.

Futures closings, in cruzeros per kilo were as follows:

May 22 24
July 22 25
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NEW ORLEANS
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NEW YORK METAL PRICES
London, May 4.

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Hongkong Mystery Man's Weather-Making Claim

SEATO Agreement Reached

Manila, May 5.
Delegates from the eight Southeast Asia Treaty Organisation countries will sign the framework of a collective defence arrangement today for the protection of the area against Communist aggression.

This brings to an end the 10-day conference of military planners at Baguio.

The Chief of Staff of the Philippines Army, Lieutenant-General Jesus Vargas, said definite commitments had been obtained from the Manila plenarians about the defence of the area.

The defence arrangements worked out during the conference will be submitted to the SEATO chief military advisers meeting at Bangkok on June 6.

Recommendations agreed at the conference are understood to include:

1. The Philippines, Pakistan and Thailand to provide the core of manpower requirements for the collective defence force with a possible contribution from Australia and New Zealand.

NAVAL AIR POWER

2. Naval and air power to be stressed, considering the geography of the countries to be defended with an air defence triangle extending from the United States base north of Manila to Singapore and Bangkok.

3. The immediate organisation of a combined staff to implement military plans. The main headquarters co-ordinating the movement of forces would depend on the type of warfare, but Thailand and the Philippines are mentioned as alternatives.

4. The United States, Britain and France to guarantee the organisation of the defence force, the United States bearing the major part of the burden.

5. Strategy for the defence of the area to take into account the deterioration of the political situation in South Vietnam because of the closeness of the Associated States of Indo-China to Thailand, one of the SEATO countries.—Reuter.

Declares State Of Emergency

Peshawar, May 4.
Afghanistan today declared a state of emergency to meet a possible threat from Pakistan, the Kabul (Afghanistan) radio reported tonight.

The radio said that the Afghan Defence Ministry had ordered a "general mobilisation" of three age groups of Army Reservists.

The Defence Ministry said this step had been taken as a security measure "inasmuch as Pakistan is resorting to actions which may endanger the security of Afghanistan."

Strained relations between Afghanistan and Pakistan resulted from mob attacks on the Pakistan Embassy in Kabul, which have caused sharp diplomatic exchanges between the two countries.—France-Press.

Want Church & State Divorced

Buenos Aires, May 4.
The pro-Peon bloc in the Argentine Chamber of Deputies today called for the separation of the Argentine Church and State.

The resolution urged that the Constitution should be immediately changed.

The Peonists, who support President Juan Peron, number 156 Deputies out of a total of 163.—France-Press.

No Details: Says It Is 'Most Secret Project'

Washington, May 4.
Water-hungry, rain-making Hongkong may be interested to know that among its 2,500,000 people there is one man who claims he can make "severe weather."

And that not just for a few minutes or for an hour or two but for "any length of time."

This "mystery genius" — for his name has not been revealed — made his claim in a letter to an Advisory Committee concerned with rain-making experiments and whose Executive Secretary is Mr Charles Gardner.

Mr Gardner referred to the letter from the Hongkong resident in the course of a survey of rain-inducing experiments.

AUSTRIAN TREATY

Russia Makes Big Concession

Vienna, May 4.
Russia was reported to-day to have made a big concession in talks here on an Austrian treaty.

which had signs of slowing up in the face of East-West disagreement.

Conference sources said after today's four and a half hour session of the Big Four ambassadors that the Russians had dropped their opposition to changes in a treaty article limiting Austria's armed forces to

10,000 men.

They had earlier opposed changes sought by Austria. But the sources said the Soviet delegation announced today it had received new instructions to agree to certain modifications to the article.—Reuter.

Marine Says He Will Be Executed

Washington, May 4.
An investigating official of the immigration service today recommended that a Chinese Nationalist marine officer, alleged to be a deserter, be returned to Formosa, despite his statement that he would be shot without a trial.

Lieutenant Hsuan Wei, arrived in the United States for military training in 1952. While preparing to return to Formosa in 1954, he changed his mind, claiming that he faced persecution and a death sentence if returned to Formosa, despite his committee gets many suggestions for other methods.

One man said he could protect the entire United States against drought by converting ocean water into a spray. The spray would be shot 1,000 to 30,000 feet into the air on the theory that it would fall as rain on arid lands.

The examining official based his commendation solely on a legal interpretation of the Refugee Relief Act, which he said did not apply to members of allied armed forces.

The examining officer noted in passing that the Chinese Consul-General in Chicago advised him that Lieutenant Hsuan Wei faced a maximum of three years' imprisonment in Formosa and that his "death sentence" statement was "entirely groundless."

Lieutenant Hsuan Wei has the right of appeal to the immigration service.—Reuter.

HEDY LAMARR SUED

Hollywood, May 4.
Actress Hedy Lamarr was sued for \$18,215 in attorney fees yesterday in an attachment suit filed in Superior Court.

The complaint was brought by attorney William Kraker, who said he had been retained to collect the fees by fellow attorneys Jerome Rosenthal and Samuel Norton, to whom Miss Lamarr allegedly is indebted.

Attachments brought against properties belonging to the actress were released when she posted a surety bond guaranteeing payment if she should lose the suit.—United Press.

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Impersonation Charge

Joaquin Rosario Santos, 64, of 43 Num. Rio Road, top door, was remanded for four days on bail of \$500 by Mr. T. Creedon at Kowloon Court this morning on a charge of impersonating a Labour Officer on Tuesday. He pleaded not guilty.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



With all these here new wonder drugs, it's like old times when I sell a box of Epsom salts!

Denies Being Afraid Of Getting Into Trouble Witness Cross-Examined In Lighters Claim

A suggestion by Defence Counsel that the witness was afraid of getting into trouble, and was giving the Court an entirely different version to his original report of what had occurred, was denied by a sailor in charge of a China Provident Company lighter at the Supreme Court this morning, when hearing of a claim for damages brought by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co, Ltd, continued before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg.

The witness admitted having made a report to his employers, but said that since then he had an opportunity to refresh his memory and what he was now telling the Court was the truth.

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Lighters moored by the Cito, with the approach of daylight, but said that since he had an opportunity to refresh his memory and what he was now telling the Court was the truth.

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Witness repeated he remained calm throughout the storm and said there was no risk or danger in moving his lighter back to join No. 18. He agreed that when his ropes began to part he sent two of his crew aboard the Cito to make their way to No. 18. By this time, No. 20 was no longer berthed next to No. 13 as her mooring had broken, but she was never adrift, he declared. He said two of the Wang Kee lighters had broken adrift. This occurred shortly before 5 a.m. His own lighter, No. 13, broke loose about 6.20 a.m. when the wind, which had been blowing from a north-westerly direction, changed to the south. Witness had his anchor down, but it was dragging. It eventually held when he managed to get along-side No. 18.

Made a report.

Witness agreed he had made a report to his employers to the effect that his lighter broke loose at 5 a.m. and passed the bows of the Wang Kee lighters. He also agreed he had said the Wang Kee lighters broke their ropes about 6 a.m. and drifted away.

Wang Kee and Co, are represented by Mr. John McNeill, QC, Mr. Leslie Wright and Mr. Victor Gittins, instructed by Mr. Y. K. Kan, of Messrs Lo and Lo.

In their claim, plaintiffs alleged that by the negligence of the defendants, their servants and agents, lighters belonging to defendants were adrift and bore down and collided with plaintiffs' lighters, sinking four and damaging three.

Chan Kan-tai, No. 1 sailor of lighter No. 13 of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co, Ltd, on September 1-2, 1953, had given evidence yesterday that when his mooring ropes broke while his lighter was lying alongside the Cito, he was berthed at Kowloon Wharf No. 2 North, he was able to manoeuvre back towards the Praya wall and, tied up alongside another of his Company's lighters among a row of lighters secured to the wharf under the bows of the Cito.

Witness: I agree that the Company held its 8th Annual General Meeting at 9 Ice House Street this evening.

Saying that he had nothing to add to his statement which had been circulated together with the Report and Accounts, the Chairman, Mr. G. E. Marden, proposed that the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1954 as compared with the year before was announced in the Report of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co, Ltd. A dividend of \$1 free of tax was declared.

In a printed statement, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. G. E. Marden, explained:

This figure takes into account the loss of \$83,627 incurred by our new factory in Singapore, an outcome which was to be anticipated in the early stages of operation—also the higher depreciation because of the new branch as well as the increased bank interest. Having regard to present difficult trading conditions, I feel that the result cannot be regarded with dissatisfaction.

DIVERTING HURRICANES

Another writer said his work with solar energy has proved that hurricanes can be diverted and re-routed. He also said that he could create rain, drought, smog, tornadoes, hurricanes, or even an earthquake as far as 10,000 miles away, he said.

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